



TNECD FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Water and Wastewater

What is CDBG?

(Community Development Block Grant)

- Community Development Block Grants are funded annually through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- The funds are to develop viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income
- At least 85% of Tennessee's funds each year are for infrastructure/public facilities projects

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- Funding has to benefit persons of low and moderate income, prevent slums and blight or address an imminent threat to public safety
- More than 1500 projects in rural Tennessee since 1996
- TN receives approximately \$24m per year
- Highly competitive grant program
 - 2014, 116 applications (funded 60%)
 - 2015, 131 applications (will fund 40%)
 - 2016, 140 applications (will fund 40%)

Application Criteria

- Grants can go to all communities except the 17 entitlement communities
- Each community can only have 1 grant at a time and can only apply for 1 grant at a time
- Talk with your community leaders to let them know about the potential projects and then find out when the public hearing will be so people can speak to your project
- Most communities work with an administrator who has grant writing experience to walk them through the process

Application Criteria

- Have to document how many LMI people will be served
- Have to document what problem will be solved
- Need to get on TDEC's priority list
- Applications are due in late February 2016
- Announcements are made in the fall
- Our office is here for guidance and assistance

Application Scoring

Type	Community Need	Project Need	Project Impact	Project Feasibility	Project Essentialness	Economic Dev.
Sewer System	X	X	X			X
Sewer Line	X	X	X			X
Water System	X	X	X			X
Water Line	X	X	X			X
Housing	X	X	X	X		X
Community Livability	X	X	X	X	X	X

Entitlement Communities

- Bristol
 - Chattanooga
 - Clarksville
 - Cleveland
 - Franklin
 - Hendersonville
 - Jackson
 - Johnson City
 - Knoxville
 - Kingsport
 - Memphis
 - Morristown
 - Murfreesboro
 - Oak Ridge
 - Nashville-Davidson Metro
 - Knox County
 - Shelby County
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- Talk with your community development department
 - Be a part of the Consolidated Plan process
 - Document how your project addresses the national objective

How does energy efficiency fit in?

- There are no extra points or extra funds available for projects that increase energy efficiency
- But, we fund about 40 water and sewer projects a year and many of those have large energy savings for the community
- We are open to suggestions and recommendations for inclusion of energy efficiency

CDBG Public Meeting

East Tennessee

August 15, 2016
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST

Farragut Town Hall
11408 Municipal Center
Drive
Farragut, TN 37934

West Tennessee

August 18, 2016
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM CST

Southwest Tennessee
Development District
102 E College Street
Jackson, TN 38301

Middle Tennessee

August 25, 2016
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM CST

Tennessee Tower
3rd Floor, Conference
Rooms A&C
312 Rosa L Parks Avenue
Nashville, TN 37243



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